

By JOHN McELROY.

followed a turmoil of intense excitement.

sat firmly on their plunging horses, selected

one every time they pulled the trigger.

dealing savage blows at those nearest him.

throng and struck viciously at Pollock.

them on through the gap. Pollock trans-

around an' sock his langs into yo'."

"Sisters! sisters!" said the Elder reprov-

The return of the Colonel's reason did not

" You have taken a great deal of pains with

"Yes, you do," he answered petulantly.

"There's no use pretending that you don't,

the Confederacy's established, as it's sure to

"There, von're gittin' flighty agin "she

"You are putting it with a great deal of

ingly; "that is no way to talk, or even

the same way.

thrusting at him with bayonets, and striking

TIONAL TRIBUNE.

SYNOPSIS OF PREVIOUS CHAPTERS.

The scene of this story of the war period is laid in the Southern Alegany Mountains. Henry Clay Poliock is a sturdy young mountaineer; his betrothed, Miriam Inrule, go. the daughter of Robert Inrule, one of the descendants of the men who penetrated into the mountains and, amid pioneer hardships and dangers, located homesteads; Elder Stornmont is a Methodist circuit rider.

Col. Rhea, a bitter secessionist and slaveholder, is enraged at their loyalty and the preacher's later public speeches, and the Sang-diggers, who come under Phea's military authority, annoy the Inrules, Pollock and Stornmont in various

The wife of one of the leaders of the Sangdiggers, Bill Hoskins, seeks protection from her husband at the Inrules, and resides with them. Pollock and others join Gen. Nelson's army at Camp Dick Robinson, in Ken- disengaged his foot from the stirrup and

The Inrules and Stornmont narrowly es I now empty, but he snatched up the sword that cape death at the hands of Rhea, for bridge | the Major had dropped as he fell, and began |

Gen. George H. Thomas takes command of Camp Dick Robinson. The rebel Gen. Zollicoffer makes an advance, and Pollock and his comrades are sent out to secure information. Pollock and his companions

Capt. Sam Griggs, the former overseer and now military henchman of Col. Rhea, makes a descent with a large party on Inrule's farm, runs off the stock and fires the stables and cribs. Pollock participates in the battle of Mill

report, and a Union victory is won.

Springs. Bill Hoskins is brought by companions to the Inrule's wounded and in a and Web Brainard's parties had succeeded in very humble spirit. Hoskins tells the story of the defeat of the rebel army. This and other Union successes cause great rejoicing among the East Tennessee | down their enemies with gun-barrels, batchets |

loyalists. Pollock and his friends return for a few days, and are met by Miriam. Soon Pollock and his sweetheart reach Inrule's. Ccl. Thea rides slowly to the house. Pollock wants to kill him, but is blow with his gunbarrel upon the back of words follow, when the Colonel suddenly assailing Pollock.

faints from his woun s. The Inrales care | This ended the struggle. Pollock gathers about him less than a hundred men and meets a party led by Sam Griggs: the rebels are defeated, and Griges falls by Pollock's pistol. Pollock and his friends start for the

army after another encounter with the rebels. The Inrule boys decide to go with

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When Pollock arrived at the rendezvous be found his party more than quadrupled. Each of the original volunteers knew where other young men were ' layin' out in the woods," | behind long enough to set fire to the cabins | the way I'll do hit myself," she muttered to | to escape the rebel conscription officers until that the rebels had constructed for their herself. "Hit 'll be God's blessin' when such time as they could make their way into shelter. One of these was the magazine, and he's under ground." Kentucky to join the Union army. These as Pollock and the Elder rode away in the had been hunted up and brought in, until light of the blazing piles they were saluted with a sudden relapse. there were fully 100 men collected near the | by the explosions of ammunition. foot of the gap. The Elder was with them.

"All that is left of that Alabama regiment-between 200 and 300 men-are up there, guarding the gap," he said to Pollock, pointing out the fires in the distance. "They probably have the roads and paths all around picketed, but I think I can take you on a path that will avoid them all."

I had to sneak out o' Tennessee when I left the State afore," said Pollock angrily, for the rage of battle was still on him. "Blamed if I want t'agin, nor will I. How many do | Miriam and Sally. It was a bitter trial to | yo' think air up thar?"

roundabout, between 200 and 300," replied | Christian duty and Mrs. Inrule's gentle | best one I know.

"Then we'uns air gwine plumb through Alabamy varmints have no bizniss in hit in-

ance upon them. terferin' with we'uns gwine whar we please." Elder thoughtfully. The proposition was day. entirely to his liking; the only question was powerful sight o' prayin' an' mortification o' find Sally Hoskins alone. as to its practicability. Yet he had the greatest confidence in Pollock's leadership.

try at hit. We'll manage hit this a-way : Yo', Elder, take about half o' the men an' stretch out a line through the woods t' the right o' the road. Web' 'll take the other half an' do the same on the left. Me an' the other boys 'll ride straight down the road till we'uns run agin their picket-post. We'll think. The more unworthy an object the drive them in, and run them back on to the greater the service to God in ministering to mounting. The whole picket-line 'll begin him; the more hateful an enemy, the greater the young women. For that matter, the cent., were rejected, as against 60 per shootin', an' showin' yo' whar they air. ye manifest your love for Christ by obedi- watch is just the perfect thing for a lady of cent. during the former administration of Jump 'em an' run 'em back on t' the road, ence to His laws." an' we'll push 'em through the gap afore they'uns know whar they're at. Keep as make this duty more acceptable. His nar-

nigh me as yo' kin, an' foller my motions." row, hectoring, domineering type of mind The plan commended itself to the Elder; could conceive of no other motive for the he at once called out his share of the men | treatment he was receiving at the hands of and lined them up in the woods. He kept "the Tory family" than desire to propitiate pear the road, where he could follow Pol- him, and secure themselves against the States Government, including Assistant under the former administration of the. lock's movements. The latter drew his re- future. The hint of such a thing was far Secretary of State Cridler, Lieut.-Commander volver and rode slowly forward with no effort | more exasperating to bold, combative people | Phelps, of the United States Navy, and at concealment. The rest moved with the like the Inrules than any downright hostility | Maj. Heistand, of the United States Army. cat-like stealth of skilled hunters advancing | could have been. on their game. The silence was only broken | Unfortunately for himself, the Colonel did tary, Maj. Iaukea, who was Lord Chamberlain

"Halt! Who comes thar?" suddenly worthless "poor white" of the Sang-digger rang out from the darkness and the middle stripe, and his own showy, domineering, of the road. Every heart leaped and every superficially-cultivated class. It was impos-

get a more certain idea of the location of the much courage and pride as himself, and much the White House. Not long afterwards Presi- within his power, enact a law that would Webster Davis has rendered a decision of within his power, enact a law that would within his power, enact a law that would webster Davis has rendered a decision of the location of the locati challenger. He cocked his revolver and more principle. Therefore he talked to them | dent Dole returned the call. as he would to the servile Sang-diggers.

raised it above his head. "Kunnel Dun's Alabamy rijiment-as good Confederates as ever lived," came back me," he said to Miriam one day, "and I

in confident tones. Pollock, firing at the sound. A yell of pain be very convenient for you to have me do so, found that a very warm sentiment exists for straight forward. The other members of the Miriam looked at him in amazement. picket fired hastily, only to betray themseves | don't understand yo', sir," she said. to the unerring revolvers of Pollock's companions. The alarmed pickets to the right and left began firing, revealing themselves to You and your family are not so big fools as questions between the two countries."

the riflemen led by the Elder and Web Brain- these Tories generally. You know that when The drum began beating in the gap to call be, you'll have a long account to settle, and the regiment out. The flying pickets were you'll need some very strong friends on our yelling "Yankees! Tories! Lincolnites! Bush- side. I cannot make any very definite prom- of the United States officials. Mr. Dole has this. He said that the finding of a board but, in smuch as all other classes of penwhackers!" at the top of their voices. It ises. I shall only say that I appreciate all gone about unostentationsly and with dignity. was a fatal yell for some of them, for their that you have done for me, and that if your He requested that the escort usually placed

from the consequences that will be visited The Elder had run into the road, picked up upon others." the gun and cartridge-box of one of the wounded pickets, and was adding his skill- got breath enough to say. "The doctor

ful shots to theirs. Pollock and his three comrades trotted your right mind." briskly up the road, regulating their pace so "He was entirely correct. My mind was annexation was thoroughly discussed. as to keep considerably ahead of those in the never clearer, and I am making the best use woods, and yet not too far. By the light of of its restored condition to think out everythe camplires they saw the Major of the regi- thing properly." ment hastily f rming his men upon a level "Kin hit be possible that yo'think we'uns place that formed the entrance to the gap. | air takin' keer q yo' jest bekase we'uns air The Captains were yelling for the men of their afeard o' you'ns, an an tryin' t' cassar yo' companies to join them in the tine, and from favor?" she asked, looking at him with flashevery direction men were running to obey ling eyes.

their loud summons. Pollock knew that his only hope of success | bluntness. I have always felt that you folks

and that pestiferous Elder were by far the shrewdest in this community. Now, I am convinced of it, by your care in casting an anchor to windward.

"Kunnel Rhea," said Miriam, "if I on-derstand yo' rightly, for a man of your pre-tended sense yo' air the biggest fool that ever lived. Yo' aint able t' sense things around yo' which air as plain as daylight. How'd yo' ever git the idee that anybody around here was afeared o' yo' or your crowd? They're only afeared o' yo' as they're sometimes afeared o' a rattiesnake, which may We'uns shall hate yo' as long as we'uns live an' yo' live. Than's nothin' that our menfolks want so much set' bill strike them onawares. We'uus all hate yo' folks want so much as t' kill yo' when hit kin be done in fair, open fout. We'uns air Copyright, 1897, by the publishers of THE NA. lay in quick, desperate action. He spoke to only nussin' yo' bekase Elder Stornmont laid his strong commands on us as our Christian "We've got t' jump 'em at once an' hard. duty to our most hateful inemy. For my I'll take the Major. Zeke, yo' take the own part, I've done hit with a very bad Capting on yo'r right. Wils, take the grace, an' the only consolation I have is the Capting on yo'r left. Zack, take ary o' the hopes that yo'll soon be well an' strong

other Captings that come handiest. Now enough for Clay Pollock t' kill yo'." "I understand your feelings, you spitfire," They set spurs to their horses, and dashed said the Colonel. "You have a lover in the into the midst of the forming regiment. Pol- | Lincoln army. He's cleared out of the counlock's shot instantly brought down the Major, try, and will stay out. But your father and and three Captains dropped an instant later | mother think differently. They've got to | pension. from Zeke's, Wils's and Zack's shots. Then | stay here."

"Kunnel Rhea, yo' air too big a fool for Thrown into confusion, the rebels fired and me to waste time on; I kin be better emstruck wildly. Many wounded one another in | ployed b'ilin' soap," answered Miriam, leavtheir frantic firing at the four horsemen who

A few days after it was Sally Hoskins's their men with unerring aim, and dropped turn.

"Mrs. Hoskins," said the Colonel, "your A bullet crashed through the head of Pol- husband is a soldier in my regiment, and this lock's horse, and he fell heavily to the ground, gives me a right to look after his affairs. He but not quick enough to catch his rider under | tells me that you have left him and made | him. As he felt his horse sinking Pollock | your home with this Lincolnite family." "He's done tole yo' mo' truth than he's in sprang from the saddle. His revolver was the habit o' doin'," Sally answered.

"Don't be pert, madam. I'll not stand it," said the Colonel, "You've done very He was at once surrounded by a crowd battles of his country, and take up with our

with gun-barrels. But they were so many "Kunnel Rhea," said Sally very tartly," will and so excited that they hurt one another more than him. A stalwart Captain with other people's alone? Me an' Bill Hoskins've his sword drawn forced his way through the played quits. Every day I done lived with that hulkin' loafer wuz a day too long. I've The other three Union soldiers were in got a good home here, an' I'm a-gwine t' stay similar desperate plight with other groups of here. Bill Hoskins kin go whar he's a-mind decree has gone forth that pensions must rebels, when a chorus of yells and a storm of | t', but hit 'll never be whar I am." shots came from either flank. The Elder's

"Hush, woman. Don't talk that way. It's your duty to live with your husband and be getting up, and were throwing themselves into the tight. They followed their fire by a business to see that you do."

rush into the thick of the melee, striking Who air yo,'t' talk that-a-way? Air yo' Gov- chagrined if they do not. I now insist on o'nor o' Tennessee, or the Lord Almighty? The Elder drove squarely into the crowd | Do yo' think I'm a nigger wench on yo' around Pollock, and delivered a well-directed rebels thought that the woods were swarming | hour with Bill Hoskins. An' I don't want no with their enemies, and betook themselves to more o' your slack 'bout hit, neither. Hit's fully considered the testimony submitted flight in every direction that promised safety. | none o' your blamed biziness." As soon as resistance ceased Pollock and

"As I said bef re," replied the Colonel, the Elder collected their men and started ferred his saddle to the Major's horse, two of his companions, who had likewise been unthat you are to go back to your husband and horsed, were provided for from the camp stay with him.' stables, the regimental wagons were found "An' vo' kin make up your mind that if

and hitched up, a quantity of food and other | vo' stick your nose into other people's bizniss stores were already in them, and they were | yo'll git hit smashed," retorted Sally, leaving | driven off down the mountain into Kentucky. the room in a rage. Pollock, the Elder and a few others remained

A day or two later the Colonel was taken

something like the way I wanted t' leave | along all right, and there's nothing to account hit," Pollock remarked grimly to the Elder. for this sudden change. What've you been "We gave the hosts of Abaddon a shak- giving him?"

ing-up that will be long remembered in "Nothin' but that tea o' wild cherry an' Israel," replied the Elder in a tone of deep | dogwood barks that yo' ordered," answered satisfaction; "and I don't believe we've lost | Mrs. Inrule. "Did you make it yourself?" asked the estimate.

Col. Rhea continued in his delirium for "No: I'm not able t' git around much, several days, and was faithfully attended by myself. Sally Heskins tended t'hit mostly.' "That's all right," said the doctor, cheertheir feelings though. Nothing but the fully. "She's a very good nurse, under your "As near as I can learn from the people | Elder's emphatic admonitions as to their | directions, Mrs. Inrule. And you are the

any one of the Colonel's frequent spells of he could do so without attracting attention, they une, said Pollock decisively. "This is bitter denunciation of all who opposed the to stroll casually about the grounds. He our own country. Hit belongs to us. Them | Southern Confederacy, and threats of venge- came to a spot where the herbs, after being boiled into a "tea," were thrown out. "Mebbe I'm not up t' the proper condition | He stirred the mass over with his cane, and "Do you think you can do it?" asked the o' grace," Sally Hoskins vetured to say one a look of intelligence came into his eyes. He "Reckon I'm not, fur hit takes a walked into the kitchen, where he chanced to

the flesh t' git thar. But it does seem t' me | "Sally," said he, with the familiarity of that hit's 'bout as much sense tendin' an' | an old physician, "your little secret is safe | the Pension Bureau was hostile to the I'm monty sure that we kin," answered keerin' for a crippled rattlesnake, that when with me, and I can't say that I blame you Pollock. "At least, we kin make a great big yo've made him sound an' well, 'll turn much. But don't put any more leatherwood berries into the Kunnel's teas. 'Taint quite "I'm no nearer grace than yo' are, Sally," fair to Clay Pollock or me. If I don't manresponded Miriam; "for my mind runs about age to kill him off we'll leave the job to Clay Pollock."

(To be continued)

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President Dor's Visit.

President Sanford B. Dole, of the Ha waiian Republic, arrived in Washington, Jan. 26, after a journey across the continent, escorted by representatives of the United With President Dole is his wife, his Secreonly two classes: the utter low-down, nearly | President Dole.

Mr. Dole was welcomed by Secretary Sherman and Assistant Secretary Adee. thumb went instinctively to the hammer of sible for him to understand that these men soon after Mr. Dole's arrival, and remained President McKinley called at the Arlington

In an interview President Dole said his visit was for the purpose of "seeing the members of the Legation and meeting the memshall see that you are rewarded for it. I bers of the Administration. On the subject "Take that, yo' infernal traitor," shouted shall remember it in the future, and it will of annexation I have nothing to say. I have

has been very gratifying." "I shall call on the President during my stay here," he said in another interview, and, of course, shall give him such information as he may desire respecting pending

President Dole has created a favorable impression on all whom he has met. Various under the present practice. It was a starlittle entertainments have been tendered him | chamber proceeding. by members of the Hawaiian Legation and

One day last week Senator Davis, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee of the pensioners, to impress the pensioners that the same rule was intended to apply the Senate, and Representative Hitt. Chairman of the House Committee on Foreign thought yo' wuz clear over that, an' back to Affairs, had an extended conference with President Dole, at which the question of

On the evening of Feb. 1, the President and Mrs. McKinley entertained President and Mrs. Dole at a formal dinner.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria, When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria, When she became Miss, she ching to Castoria.

When sha had Aldren, she gave them Castoria,

DOINGS OF CONGRESS

ceedings in Both Houses.

The Senate took up the Pension appropriation bill Jan. 24.

Mr. Perkins (Cal.), in charge of the bill, made a general statement regarding the bill, saying it had been framed upon estimates submitted by the Secretary of the Interior, the officer of the Government charged with that duty.

Mr. Gallinger, Chairman of the Pensions Committee, remarked that he had been sharply criticised because of the attitude he had assumed as to certain phases of the pension question, but he was satisfied to rest upon his record. He was, he said, in favor of the payment of a pension to every man or woman honestly entitled to a

The Pension appropriation bill was called up the next day and an amendment proposed by Mr. Allen (Neb., Pop.), providing that the lowest pension paid by the Government be \$8 a month was ruled out of order. Mr. Allen then offered an amendment to the bill increasing the amount appropriated from \$140,000,000 to \$148,000,000. Mr. Allen had introduced his first amendment the day before. As to the second he said:

"I think it ought not to go to the country hat we are making an appropriation be low the amount estimated and by that means create the impression that our pension appropriation is decreasing. We know as a matter of fact that it is pracwrong to leave a man who is fighting the tically at a standstill, and probably it will decrease in the course of a very few years, owing to the age of many pensioners.

"Of course, Mr. President, I do not hope or expect to induce the Senate to increase yo' please mind your own business an' leave the pension appropriation, not because it would not be right to do so, not because the millions who are entitled to recognition by the Government are not in need and their claims just, but because a party cease or must not exceed the present limit. "I shall say what I think I ought in behalf of this class of our people. I shall not ask any gentleman whether it will suit his a faithful, obedient wife. I'll make it my preferences for me to express my opinion or not. I shall be pleased if my remarks "Yo' will, will you?" flamed out Sally. | meet his approval, and not particularly

my amendment. Mr. Perkins said: "I will state that the plantation that yo'kin make do as yo' please? he says that the Department recommended Senator from Nebraska is mistaken when I'il let yo' know I'm a free woman, an' not more than \$140,000,000. That was the prevented by the Flier and Inrule. Bitter | the neck of the Captain who was fiercely | beholden t' yo' or Bill Hoskins for so much as amount contained in the book of estithe wrappin's on my finger. I'll just die, mates, submitted by the Secretary of the an' kill my baby, too, afore I'll live another Interior, and later concurred in by the

at the hearings before the Committee on Appropriations in the House of Representa-"I'll make it my business. I have a way of tives; they were also in receipt of comdealing with people that won't do right that's pretty effective. You can make up your mind Pensions; and after fully considering them they recommended the full amount that the Secretary of the Interior had recommended, to wit, \$140,000,000 for pensions for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1899.

"Therefore, in accordance with the instructions that I received from the Committee, that I should raise the point of "If none o' these others 'll put him out o' order when any question was presented here that was contrary to the rules of the Senate, I now raise the point of order against the amendment under rule 16.

Mr. Allen quoted part of the testimony of the Commissioner before the House Com-"I can't understand it," said the doctor, mittee on Appropriations, as quoted the "Since we'uns had t' leave the State that's with a puzzled look. "He's been going day before by Mr. Gorman. Then he said: 'So it would appear that Mr. Evans desired an appropriation of \$148,000,000. That was the claim be made before the House Committee on Appropriations. The fact that on the book of estimates, as it is called, a different sum has been entered does not determine the amount of the

Mr. Perkins said that this testimony was given under date of Dec. 6. Later, under date of Jan. 10, the Commissioner wrote that the amount proposed to be appropriated, to wit, \$140,000,000, for the Army and Navy pensions was entirely satisfactory to him. Later he wrote again to the Compersistence sustained their perseverance after | But the doctor took an opportunity, when | mittee, under date of Jan. 20, reiterating

He said he would withdraw the point of order so that Mr. Allen could not say that Mr. Perkins was "trying to protect the Committee in what he claims by implication at least, is a superficial examination

Mr. Gallinger protested against Mr. Allen's trying to make it appear that in some way the present administration of interests of the soldiers and his arraignment of the Republican party for hypocrisy in dealing with the pension question.

The facts are that of the 319,407 original claims adjudicated for the three years 1891, 1895, and 1896, there were 169,15t rejected, or just 60 per cent., while from April 1 to Dec. 31, 1897, nine months of administration by the present Commissioner of Pensions, of the 75,366 original that office. For the first period, the three years named, there were 148,273 claims for increase adjudicated, of which 105,255, or 71 per cent., were rejected, while during he second period, from April 1 to Dec. 31, 1807, there were 35, 61 claims for increase | Louisiana. adjudicated, of which only 20,132 were re-

"Pensions to a much larger percentage, wisely or unwisely, are being granted under Commissioner Evans than were by an occasional snapping of a twig beneath not stop at hints. He failed utterly to com- under old King Kalakana. Dr. F. R. Day lation for us to come in here, in the present granted under the former Commissioners. some one's light foot. The moments were prehend the mountaineers. He had known is also with the party, as the physician to condition of the public Treasury, and vote \$8,000,600 more to a Department of this Government than the accredited head of that Department says he thinks ought to

be granted. Mr. Allen said he had no doubt the Presiof the mountains, scanty in education, with about 15 minutes. After a mutual exchange ble pensions to all needy persons who are "Who air you'uns?" replied Pollock, to little worldly polish, were yet possessed of as of courtesies President McKinley returned to pensionable under the laws, and would, if doubt of Commissioner Evans's sympathy | rights of m nors with reference to the time for worthy applicants. But, he said, "the of commencement of pension under section

> The amendment was lost. Mr. Allen offered an amendment providing that the reports of examining surgeons be open to inspection by the applicant for pension, his agent or attorney. Mr. Allen urged that it was wrong that part such inspection should not be allowed "A

Mr. Gallinger made a lengthy reply to

was "often different from that of the Bureau in settling cases. If pension agents commence from 'the date of application pursuers were trained to the firing at night at further conduct shall be in accordance with at the service of distinguished guests of the the Government is to be put to the expense of making copies of those findings in that way with the idea that they are to them. being wronged because their Board found them to be deserving of 820 a month, while the Bureau would rate them at only \$10 a month, it must be conclusive to the mindof any reasonable man that that is something which ought not to be asked of the an application in the latter class of cases, Pension Bureau. Beyond that, there is a reason why the local examiner should be is not for a continuance of the widow's protected by the Government." After further argument the amendment

was rejected and the bill passed. that there was no excuse for the rule, and | that the widow's title is extinct. one "might as well ask a man to walk in the dark and take the chances of stepping off a precipice under the supposition that | from date of application therefor. he was walking in safety as to ask the "Another question to be considered re-

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citizens scattered over the country enthe evidence and presenting the claims of old soldiers for pensions. They should not | tion 3 of the act of June 27, 18 0, says that fall under the displeasure of the Commit-

tion most of the week. On Jan. 28, by a ormal vote of 47 years to 32 nays, the sion) shall continue during his life or dis-Senate declared that the bonds of the United States are payable in standard law, must prevail if there is any repugsilver dollars, and that such payment is nance between it and the preceding general not in violation of the public faith or in derogation of the public credit.

Of the 47 Senators who made up the affirmative column on the resolution, 28 were Democrats, 7 were Populists, 3 were Silver Republicans, 8 were Republicans who have hitherto been aligned with the Administration, and I was an independent, Mr. Kyle, of South Dakota. The negative vote was composed exclusively of Republicans, with one exception, Mr. Caffery, of p

The principal business in the House during the week was the discussion of the Indian appropriation bill, which was passed. In the House on Jan. 31, the Teller resolution was defeated by the Republicans by a vote of 182 mays to 132 yeas. The Republican majority over all parties in the

PENSION DECISIONS. Cases Disposed of by Assistant Secretary Davis.

cover all meritorious cases: he had no considerable importance, as it affects the Republican party is determined that the 3 of the act of June 27, 1820. The case is that pension rolls shall not be increased; and it of the children of David S. Sharer, Co. G. is doing everything possible to prevent an 117th Chio. It appears that the widow was increase, to the injury, in my judgment, of pensi ned under the act of June 27, 1890, at informed him that his aim had been good. for you will need all the influence you can the Hawaiian Islands, and, of course, this and larger pensions than they are receiveach of three children. The widow remarried May 11, 1815, and all pens on then ceased. On March 15, 1897, the widow, as guardian filed a claim on behalf of her children for minors' pension. In the dec s ion Assistant Secretary Pay's says, in

"As the act does not grant pension to minors in express terms, but only by implication, it makes no express provision sions provided for by said act are made to were permitted to ransack these files; if there or, after the passage of the act,' and tablish a different date of commencement of the Medical Boards to be transmitted to for minors' pensions, I am of the opinion

"This has been the rule in cases where no widow survived the soldier, and I can see no good reason why it should not also be the rule in cases where there was a widow. The miners are required to make as well as in the former. Their application pension, but for an original grant to them of a minor's pension; and in support of such application they must furnish proof "Therefore, pension to minors under see

tion 3, act of June 27, 1899, must commence

pplicant for a pension to trust his chances | lates to payments in case one or more of | to the reports of surgeons which are rigidly | several minor children are insane, idiotic excluded from him and from his representa- or otherwise permanently help ess. Both tive or attorney. * * * It must not be the old law and the act of June 27, 18:0, forgotten that there are thousands of good i pension the minor children jointly, where there are two or more, and when one dies, gaged in an honorable way in collecting or reaches the age of 16, his joint interest goes to the others. But the proviso to secin case a minor is insane, idiotic or otherwise permanently helpless the pension (i. c., the pension he receives as a minor The Senate discussed the Teller resolu- which, if there are several miners pension d jointly, is his share of the joint penability. This, being a later provision of the grant to m nors as joint pensioners. "I am, therefore, of the opinion that an

insane, id otic or otherwise permanently helpless child under 16 years of age who is pens oned jointly with minors, does not lose his share in the joint pension on arr ving at the age of 16, but is entitled to the same in like manner as if he were still under that age. In contemplation of law he is still a miror. "Therefore, where one or more minors is

insane, idiotic or otherwise permanently help'ess he shall not be deprived of his share of the joint pension upon arriving at the age of 16 years while there are other children under that age, but shall cont rue to receive the same as if he were still under 16. But this rule shall apply only to future

WEEK IN WASHINGTON. Events of General Interest in the National

bill providing that no pension shall here- the Secretary of the Republican National after be paid to a widow of a soldier. Committee. His future is regarded as exsailor, etc., unless it shall be proved that the marriage of such widow to the soldier took place prior to the passage of this act, or unless the marriage shall take place hereafter and prior to or during the military or naval service of the soldier or other person on whose account the pension is claimed. This is the bill prepared in accordance with the recommendation of Commissioner Evans of the Pension Bureau.

TUESDAY, Jan. 25.-A general order, announcing the coming Department Encampment, G.A.R., was issued. The Encampment will meet at 6 30 p. m., Feb. 3, in Grand Army Hall. Commander in Chief Gobin will be present during the Encampment and will be entertained by the Department at a banquet immediately after the Encampment adjourns, on the night of Feb. 3. WEDNESDAY, Jan. 26.- The new Associ-

ate Justice of the Supreme Court, Joseph McKenna, took his seat on the bench to day. Mr. McKenna had already taken the general cath of office before the Chief Justice, when, at one minute past 12 o'clock, he walked into the court room, bringing up the rear of the procession of Justices. He, like all the other members of the court, wore a long flowing black

THURSDAY, Jan. 27.—Commissioner Ev ans, replying to a communication from the First Assistant Postmaster-General, gives it as his opinion that it would be proper for Postmasters torefer letters in reference to pension cases addressed to them to the nearest Special Examiner or to the Commi sioner of Pensions if the address of the Examiner is not known. Comm ssioner Evans says he appreciates the will ngness man fested to assist worthy applicants in regard to obtaining information relative to pension matters, but he is of the opin on that every Postoffice employe's time is fully occupied in attend-

ing to affairs coming entirely within the province of the Postoffice Department. FRIDAY, Jan. 28.-Gen. Bend, of the Minnesota militia, and Col. Curtis, of the Indianapolis artillery, came to Washington to urge an increase in the appropriation for the militia from \$100,000 to \$1,000,-000 a year. They will represent that in its present condition the country needs to strengthen its militia and that it

should be done right away. SATURDAY, Jan. 29.-The free homestead bill, giving over 20,000 000 acres of public lands as free homes for settlers, was ordered favorably reported to the House by the Public Lands Committee. The item extending the provisions of the bill to military reservations which have been open to settlement was stricken out, while the item including lands which the Government sells for the indians was retained.

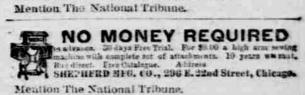
CHAT OF THE CORRIDORS.

The Senate Committee on Pensions is considering a bill to pension James B. Rawlins, son of Gen. John A. Rawlins. He has been employed as a laborer to provide him with a living. He is now stricken with blindness. It is thought the pension will not be granted.

Louis Emory McComas, Republican, has been elected Senator from Maryland, to succeed Senator Gorman. He will take his seat in 1899. He was born in 1816. He studied law, and is now one of the Justices of the Ditsrict of Columbia Supreme Court. He was elected to the 48th Congress, and for three successive terms thereafter. In MONDAY, Jan. 21.-The Senate passed a the Presidential campaign of 1892 he was ceptionally bright.







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